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# *Rapid River News!*

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*(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)*

(Natural Resource related items)

- **Consent Decree.** Judge Enslin has signed the Consent Decree between the State of Michigan and five of the Michigan Tribes, of which the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is one.
- Editorials and comments continue to come in that are favorable to the recently completed Consent Decree affirming tribal hunting, fishing and gathering rights. Full coverage will be in the next ***Currents***.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **Housing Grant.** The Grants Department is so very pleased to inform you that our application for the Indian Community Development Block Grant has been approved. We requested \$600,000 to be used towards Homeownership Assistance related programs and we were awarded \$599,955!

(Emergency Management items)

- **Pandemic Exercise.** Four tribal departments worked with 10 other regional agencies on a successful Pandemic Exercise that would help to provide inoculations in case of a mass disaster. The departments were, Public Safety, Health and Public Affairs. This was a first-time cooperative effort that sets a standard that will be beneficial to tribal members in case of a disaster or incident.
- **LRBOI 800# for Weather Closings.** Be sure to check the tribe's toll-free line regarding any weather related closings. If you are planning to drive in for work or appointments call 800-723-8288 ahead of time in case the offices might be closed.

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